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REMARKS

Claims 23-28, 30-35, 37-45 are currently pending in the subject application and are presently under consideration. A new Listing of the Claims can be found at pages 2-6. The text of claim 36 has been removed in compliance with the new amendment practice. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the comments and amendments herein.

I. Notice of Non-Compliance

The amendment filed on June 16, 2004, was deemed non-compliant with the new amendment practice. Applicants' representative respectfully requests that Examiner withdraw the objection for the following reasons.

The text of claim 36 has been removed in the Listing of the Claims. Hence, it is respectfully requested that this objection be withdrawn.

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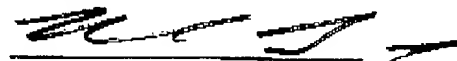
CONCLUSION

The present application is believed to be in condition for allowance in view of the above comments and amendments. A prompt action to such end is earnestly solicited.

In the event any fees are due in connection with this document, the Commissioner is authorized to charge those fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1063.

Should the Examiner believe a telephone interview would be helpful to expedite favorable prosecution, the Examiner is invited to contact applicant's undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

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